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SPECIFIC GROWTH FACTOR, KERATINOCYTE

GROWTH FACTOR (KGF)

Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC

Amendment and Reply under 37 CFR § 1.111

This responds to the Office Action of March 13, 2001. A Petition for Extension of Time with the requisite fee is attached. In the event this fee is insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to the undersigned Deposit account No. 08-1641. Please amend the application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 92-108, without prejudice or disclaimer. Please add the following new claims:

109. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an isolated keratinocyte growth factor (KGF) polypeptide and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein said polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence 32 to 194 of Figure 7 or a segment of said sequence, wherein the segment is that part of the amino acid sequence of Figure 7 that remains after the amino acid sequence of Figure 7 is truncated from an N terminus to C terminus direction, within the region of amino acids 32-78, and wherein said polypeptide stimulates mitogenic activity in epithelial cells.

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